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FDD Requirements on Press Scrutiny

1. In order that the Press Scrutiny Section, German Bureau, may provide the intelligence information required by FDD in a readily usable form it is requested that the following instructions be forwarded to [] for his guidance.

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a. The list of 38 East and West German newspaper titles, attached as Annex A, represents the newspapers FDD desires the Press Scrutiny Section to exploit for information on the subject categories defined in Annex B. Changes in the individual titles may be made from time to time as experience dictates.

b. The 13 titles preceded by asterisks in Annex A are not received on a regular basis by FDD. It is requested that items from these sources be forwarded to FDD accompanied by the pertinent newspapers.

c. Items submitted to FDD should conform to the following specifications:

(1) Items should be abstracts or summaries double-spaced on 5 x 8 sheets, one item per sheet generally limited to 125 words.

(2) The heading of the press item should include the name of the country or countries to which the item refers; headings for items pertaining to international conferences and fairs should show the full official designation of the event.

(3) For West German publications, indicate Communist organs by the designation "Com." Pro-Communist (pro-Com), left-wing, independent (ind), anti-Communist (anti-Com), and emigre publications should be so indicated when known.

(4) Affix at the end of items "(mia)" or "(fex)" to indicate respectively "more information available" or "full exploitation," whichever is applicable.

(5) Examples of the format desired in items submitted to FDD are attached as Annex C.

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ANNEX A

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Berliner Morgenpost	Berlin
B-Z am Abend	Berlin
Das Volk	Weimar
Der Kurier	Berlin
Der Spiegel	Hannover
Der Tagesspiegel	Berlin
Die Neue Zeitung	Berlin
Die Welt	Hamburg
Fahrt Frei	Berlin
Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung	Berlin
*Freie Bauer, Der	Dresden
Freie Presse	Plauen
Freies Volk	Duesseldorf
Gesetzblatt Der Deutschen Demokratischen Republik	Berlin
Hamburger Abendblatt	Berlin
*Hamburger Echo	Hamburg
*Hannoversche Presse	Hannover
*Koelnische Rundschau	Koeln
*Liberal-Demokratische Zeitung	Halle
Leipziger Volkszeitung	Leipzig
Maerkische Volksstimme	Berlin
*Morgen, Der	Berlin
*National Zeitung	Berlin
*Neue Ruhr-Zeitung	Essen
Neue Zeit	Berlin
Neues Deutschland	Berlin
Ost-West Kurier	Berlin
Rheinischer Merkur	Koeln
*Saechsisches Tageblatt	Dresden
*Saechsische Zeitung	Dresden
Schweriner Volkszeitung	Schwerin
*Stuttgarter Zeitung	Stuttgart
Sueddeutsche Zeitung	Muenchen
Taegliche Rundschau	Berlin
*Telegraf	Berlin
Verkehrs-Wirtschaft	Duesseldorf
Volksstimme	Chemnitz
*Westdeutsche Allg. Zeitung	Essen Bochum

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ANNEX B

1. Communist Movements

Articles on non-Orbit Communist Party and Communist front activities including personalities, meetings, proceedings, decisions, plans; figures on the strength (membership) of the national Communist parties, front organizations, or local Communist organizations; Communist Party training program and Party school curriculums; physical description of non-Orbit Communist Party offices and other physical installations. Front organizations will include Communist-controlled labor unions, whether international or national, and friendship associations.

Information on Satellite-Soviet friendship societies.

2. International Conferences and Fairs

All international conferences (scientific, technical, political, cultural, economic, religious; Communist and non-Communist; excluding military, diplomatic, and sport meetings): date, location, agenda, delegates, and financial support.

International fairs and exhibitions: (a) all forthcoming fairs; (b) all fairs which give reference to orbit participation and reaction regardless of date.

3. East-West Travel and Contacts

Official and non-official travelers between orbit and non-orbit countries with reference to the following types of activity: scientific, technical, financial, commercial, and cultural including students, artists, athletes, newspapermen, etc. Presence of orbit representatives in a non-orbit country. Information of any defection from orbit countries.

4. Intra-Orbit Travel and Contacts

Official and non-official travels of technical and managerial personnel of orbit industrial enterprises within the Soviet orbit. Travels of orbit scientists within the orbit.

5. East-West Trade

Legal and illegal trade between orbit and non-orbit countries; names and addresses of non-orbit firms, banking concerns and individuals involved in East-West trade.

Official trade and payment agreements between orbit and non-orbit countries should be highlighted with the most significant information and (mia) should be added if warranted. No attention should be given to official trade statistics and balance of payments data since such information is reported by the Office of International Trade, Department of Commerce.

6. Intra-Orbit Trade

Any information on the exchange of goods and financial arrangements within the Soviet orbit; foreign trade control by the Council for Economic Mutual Assistance.

7. East-West Cargo Shipments

All cargo shipments, whenever a "definite cargo" is reported, between East and West, including references to names of ships, ports of call, methods of loading and unloading. Items indicating only "general cargo" are to be omitted.

8. Smuggling

Accounts of smuggling of any commodities to and from orbit countries; and all smuggling activities pertaining to narcotics, gold, and arms.

9. Resistance and Sabotage Activities

All evidence of Communist-directed resistance, whether active or passive, against the existing regime, including sabotage and hints of sabotage, demonstrations, mention of guerrilla bands, and names of saboteurs.

Indications of anti-Communist resistance and demonstrations in Soviet orbit countries. Items of self-criticism should be excluded.

10. Orbit Security Police Activities

All information on orbit border guards and police units, including uniformed units (secret police); also uniforms and other means of distinguishing officers and men.

11. Orbit Civil Defense Activities

Any reference to orbit air-raid practices; antichemical, bacteriological, and atomic warfare training; first-aid training, communication training, etc. Paramilitary information is to be excluded.

12. Orbit Military or Paramilitary Activities

Any references.

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13. Science News Items on the Orbit

a. Items dealing with scientific and technological research, discoveries and developments, personalities, organizations and institutions, expeditions, education, and facilities.

b. Items on military applications of science (i.e., radar, rocket fuels, military research institutes).

c. Announcements of the issuance of new scientific and technical serial publications, the termination of old ones, or important changes in current periodicals.

d. Reference to laws and decrees affecting science.

14. Economic Items on the Orbit

Concerning:

Transportation and Communications

Shipbuilding

Fuel and Power

Mining and Manufacturing Industries

Chemical Industry

Public Utilities, Construction and Construction Materials

Consumer Goods and Domestic Trade

Agriculture and Forestry

Economic Organization and Planning

Manpower, actual, or potential through training and education

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ANNEX C

Name of **FIRST CONGRESS OF WORLD FEDERATION OF BEER DRINKERS -- Berlin**
organization **Taegliche Rundschau, 4 May 54**

The First Congress of the World Federation of Beer Drinkers opened in Warsaw on 2 May 1954. I. M. A. Sott, president of the federation, said that reports to be presented at the congress would definitely prove the superiority of beer produced in the peace-loving countries over that of the capitalist world. (mia)

WORKERS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA STAGE SIT-DOWN STRIKE -- Apolda, Das Volk, 8 Feb 54

Workers in the Plzen Brewing Company staged an abortive sit-down strike on 6 February 1954 as a protest against increased norms imposed by the brewery manager. The strike leader, who presented a shabby appearance with his fractured skull, closed eyes, and swollen lips, later stated that he was sorry he was ever born. (fex)